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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$460.00 to cover 2 months extension of time fee;
2. Petition for Extension of time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a);
3. Amendment and Reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116; and
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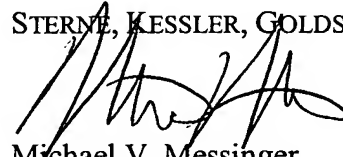
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